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DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE**

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the present title with the following:

**--METHODS AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING AN XML-BASED
INTERFACE DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE --**

REMARKS

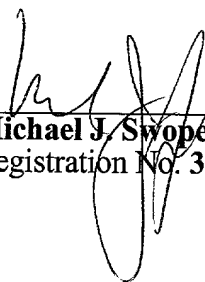
The title has been changed to more closely reflect the subject matter of the claimed invention.

CONCLUSION

Early consideration and allowance of the above-referenced patent application is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

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